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In re Patent Application of:	)	Confirmation No.: 2445
Yasuyuki ARAI et al.	)	Examiner: Daryl C. Pope
Serial No.: 10/586,049	)	Group Art Unit: 2612
Filed: July 14, 2006	)	
For: FILM-LIKE ARTICLE AND METHOD	)	
FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME	)	

## **AFTER FINAL RESPONSE**

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed March 31, 2010, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 18, 2009.

<u>SECOND REQUEST</u>: However, the Applicant has not received acknowledgment of the Information Disclosure Statements filed on July 14, 2006 and August 21, 2006 (received by OIPE August 23, 2006). The Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner provide an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 evidencing consideration of the above-referenced Information Disclosure Statements.

Claims 1-48 are pending in the present application, of which claims 1, 2, 5-7 and 44-48 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Paragraph 2 of the Official Action continues to reject claims 1-48 as obvious based on U.S. Patent No. 6,497,371 to Kayanakis. The Applicant respectfully traverses